

DON'T INSTRUCT, SAYS GUFFEY

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Instructions, but Parker Preferred."

Col. James M. Guffey, Democratic national committee member for Pennsylvania, and Norman E. Mack, Democratic national committee member for New York, had a long talk at the Holland House last evening, and later Col. Guffey, before leaving for Pittsburgh, had a talk with other Democrats. Col. Guffey said:

"There has been discussion in some quarters looking to the abrogation of the unit rule. Why should we not let the unit rule be adopted? The Democratic national delegates have been bound by the unit rule for many years past. It is not a new thing, and it is the very essence of the Democratic doctrine that the majority shall rule. The State convention of Pennsylvania, which will be held on April 19, will not instruct for any Presidential candidate. The delegates will be free until their arrival in St. Louis. Then, after a full and fair discussion of candidates and party principles, they will decide what course to take, and as the majority decides so the entire delegation will go."

"I am greatly interested in Democratic success," continued Col. Guffey, "and I am sure that I know they will pardon me if I say candidly that I do not believe the Democratic delegates from the State of New York are as good as lost. I believe the New York delegation will be far stronger if it does not get instructed for any candidate. Democrats all over the country are looking toward New York State, and I believe that if the delegation is instructed by the Albany convention of April 18, all of the antagonism which would be directed toward the delegates by the friends of other candidates, I cannot say too pointedly or too frankly that I do not believe the New York State delegation should be instructed to vote for any one candidate."

"I believe the Democrats of New York State should get together before their convention is held and come to a more friendly understanding. The Albany convention of the United States are disturbed at what occurred in Albany on Saturday last, as it was then indicated that New York State Democrats are pretty evenly divided by two powerful interests."

Col. Guffey has talked with most of the important Democrats from other States, and he has been spoken of as the most likely candidate to succeed Ex-Senator James K. Jones as chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Friends of William J. Bryan at the Holland House made one or two important statements last night. They had to do with Mr. Bryan's recent visit to New York city, when he was asked point blank the question, "If the candidate of the Democratic national convention at St. Louis is not to your liking, will you bolt?" Mr. Bryan was nervous by this question, and declared it to be impertinent, and he declined to answer it or in any way to give an inkling of what his course would be in case the candidate was not to his liking.

Mr. Bryan's friends have discussed this question many times since his return to Lincoln, and every now and then they have made the statement that Mr. Bryan is now only 44 years old, and that the time will surely come when the Democratic party will be ripe to nominate him again for the Presidency. They admit that Mr. Bryan cannot be nominated this year, but they have hopes that he will become the candidate in 1908.

So the friends of Mr. Bryan who told the story went on to say that while Mr. Bryan and William H. Hearst hope to control one-third of the Democratic national convention at St. Louis, and thus prevent the nomination of any candidate not to their liking, Mr. Bryan under no circumstances would bolt the convention, even if the candidate does not please him in every particular; they went on to say that he had no intention with his political ambition to be President before he had been elected to the coming of a Democratic national convention.

Then these friends of Mr. Bryan explained why he wouldn't bolt, and it was because of the Palmer and Buckner episode in 1896, when as independent candidate he received only 133,424 votes all told in the United States.

Talk of compromise was thick in the air last night in Democratic circles. Two propositions for the bringing about of harmony between Charles F. Murphy and David B. Hill and Senator McClellan were talked of by Hill men. One of them was that if Mr. Murphy would consent to the instruction of the New York delegation for Judge Parker Mr. Hill would agree to the nomination of Mayor McClellan for Governor. The other was that if Mr. Hill would agree to the passage of a resolution by the Democratic State convention expressing the preference of the convention for Parker without actually instructing the delegates.

Mr. Murphy went to Atlantic City yesterday and his friends would not commit themselves to an expression of opinion, but it can be said for McClellan that he might be willing to compromise on the basis of the passage by the convention of a resolution favoring the nomination of Judge Parker. Compromise, however, has alluded himself with both parties, and last night he thought such a plan would bring harmony between Mr. McClellan and Mr. Murphy.

"An absolutely instructed delegation is not always desirable," he said, "and it may be that some such suggestion as this will bring the two factions together. The best way to bring about harmony is by trying to throw out differences of opinion. I should think that Mr. Murphy could not object to the convention putting itself on record as desiring the nomination of a certain candidate, while that might also meet the wishes of Mr. McClellan."

"It is evident that New York must take some part in the convention. The whole country is looking to New York State to name a candidate, and if the delegation from this State should go to the national convention without a preference for any candidate, how can it expect to hold the lead which the greater number of the States have already accorded to it?"

In political circles in this city last night it was said that Mr. Guffey's purpose in openly coming out as a supporter of Mr. McClellan was the expectation that the Hill forces would control the State delegation named as the Democratic nominee for Governor. It is known that the Comptroller is no longer on friendly terms with the heads of Tammany Hall. He has aroused enmity among them because of his refusal to fill some existing vacancies in his office with Tammany men and because he has declined to make removals in order to provide places for Tammany adherents.

John R. Sparrow, the supervising accountant of the Finance Department, resigned yesterday to resume private business. Instead of giving an opportunity to those who control the affairs of the administration to fill this place with one of the faithful, the Comptroller decided that there was no need for a successor to Mr. Sparrow, and he was asked to resign. The Commission asking them to abolish the place.

With regard to the Parker-McClellan plan of adjustment, a friend of Mr. Hill said last night:

"I understand that lines to bring Mr. Murphy and Mr. Hill together have already been thrown out. It is charged that a compromise shall be effected by the nomination of Judge Parker for President and Mayor McClellan for Governor. I am led to understand that this would be perfectly acceptable to Mr. Hill, who is anxious that there shall be harmony in the State convention."

"Mr. Hill thinks that with Judge Parker the Democrats can carry the country, and I have been told that Mr. Hill is of the opinion that with either McClellan or Guffey on the ticket for Governor, with Judge Parker at the head of it, the Democrats can carry the State by 75,000. In the interval of peace Mr. Hill would consent to the nomination of McClellan for Governor, and that ought to satisfy Mr. Murphy, because, with President Forney of the

Aldermen as Mayor, Tammany would still control the city's administration."

"Of course if Judge Parker does not get the nomination for the Presidency Mr. Hill will undoubtedly endeavor to have the nomination for Governor go to the Judge. Should Mr. Murphy reject the olive branch which has been held out to him Mr. Hill will keep up the fight, and in case the controls of the State convention and Judge Parker is nominated, St. Louis the probability is that Hill will come out in favor of Comptroller Grou for Governor."

ROBERT TABER DEAD.

The Actor Succumbs to Consumption at Saranac Lake—His Stage Career.

A telegram received from Saranac Lake yesterday morning announced that the death there on Tuesday night of Robert Taber, the well known actor, who married Julia Marlowe a number of years ago and had been living in England for the last five or six years until his return to his country on Feb. 15 in search of health.

Mr. Taber was the son of the late C. C. Taber, a cotton merchant, and was born in this city 39 years ago. He began his career in amateur theatricals and first appeared as a professional in 1883 with the Modjeska, winning his first great success in "The Measure for Measure." In 1891 he joined Miss Marlowe's company, playing leading Shakespearean parts and winning laurels as "The Hunchback" and "The Love Chase," in which last piece Mrs. Drew frequently appeared with him.

His married life with Julia Marlowe was short, and after his separation from her he went to England, where he appeared first in January, 1898, with Sir Henry Irving at the Lyceum Theatre. He played "Macbeth" for Forbes Robertson's "Macbeth," and in 1900 appeared in "Bonnie Dundee" at the Adelphi and later in "The Mummy and the Humming Bird" with Sir Charles Wyndham in Wyndham's Theatre. Last year he played in leading parts in "Quo Vadis" at the Adelphi and in "Ben-Hur" at Drury Lane.

Four years ago Mr. Taber had a severe attack of pneumonia as the result of hard work and the trying English climate, and he was never again in good health. He had arranged to have a theatre of his own and a play of his own for the coming fall, when he was stricken with tuberculosis of the throat, and his death became only a question of a few months. He was practically sinking when he arrived here three weeks ago. He went to the home of his sister, Mrs. Holt, the wife of Henry Holt, the publisher, at 711 Madison avenue, where he remained until about a week ago, when, accompanied by his mother, a physician and a nurse, he went to Saranac Lake. Charles Taber, his brother, went to Saranac Lake yesterday morning to arrange for the funeral.

Mr. Taber figured last year as correspondent in a divorce suit brought by Arthur Wyndham Playfair against his wife, who, under the name of Mrs. L. A. Aehwell, made a great hit in London as "Mrs. Dane" in "Mrs. Dane's Defense." Later she supported Sir Henry Irving in "David Garrick," which was a son of Major-General Playfair, and a nephew of the distinguished surgeon, Lord Playfair, is himself an actor of ability. He came to this country last year as a member of Charles Hawtreys' company. He separated from his wife about two years ago, and the divorce trial was to have been held this spring.

Obituary Notes.

J. Henry Hentz of the firm of White, Hentz & Co., wholesale liquor dealers of Philadelphia, died suddenly of heart disease at one of his country homes in Philadelphia and was a son of Jacob Hentz, with whom he became associated in 1870. He was a member of the Independent Order of the Masonic fraternity and was interested in the Masonic House, which is located in the Bronx between the Morris Park Race track and the Mount Vernon highway. He recently obtained a \$35,000 judgment against the city of Mount Vernon because a system of drainage had been laid out on his property. He leaves a wife and one son.

John P. Foley, editor of the "Jefferson Cypripedi," a long-lived and well known paper, died on Monday at his home, 71 Pierpont street, Brooklyn, in his sixty-third year, and was buried yesterday. Foley was born in Dublin, Ireland, and after graduating from Trinity College in Hartford, Conn., he came to this country. He began his newspaper career on the Washington Post and was subsequently connected with the New York Tribune, the Sun and other papers. For the past three years he had been with the Commercial Company of Broadway. Three sons and a daughter survive him.

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Marlette, widow of James J. Marlette, a former owner and editor of the "Schenectady Evening Star," died last evening in that city of paralysis. She was in her eighty-fifth year. On her mother's side she was a descendant of the Newkirk family of the Mohawk Valley. Her grandfather being Capt. Garrett Newkirk, one of the heroes of the Revolutionary War, who figured prominently in the history of the Mohawk Valley as one of the Minute Men of '76. She is survived by three sons, the grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Louis Wiesner, a well known artist and a veteran of the Civil War, died at his home in Washington yesterday in the sixty-third year of his age. He was born in Karlsruhe, Germany, and came to this country in 1858. He was commissioned a Lieutenant in Company C, First Maryland Cavalry, in 1861, participated in many battles and was held a prisoner for twenty months. He was honorably discharged in 1865.

Horace Stevens for many years a well known financial man of Boston, died on Tuesday. He was a director of the Globe Bank of Boston and was at one time its President. For several years he was president of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad. He was the first to have given practically all of his fortune to the support of the cause of the poor in the Kansas Legislature.

Henry B. Sheldon, 46 years old, the senior member of the firm of H. B. Sheldon & Co., merchandise brokers of Water street, died in his home in Bloomfield, N. J., yesterday of pneumonia. He was a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, the Board of Trade and his wife and two children survive him.

Miss Maria S. Bergen, whose Holland ancestors settled on Bergen Island, near Long Beach, nearly three centuries ago, died on Tuesday at the home of her niece, Mrs. Charles B. Glover, 24 East 82d street, Flatbush, in her seventy-fifth year. She had been married to her husband, who died in the Civil War, since her childhood.

Lieut. Frank P. Goss, U. S. A., retired, a veteran of the Civil War, died at his home in Washington on Monday. During the war Lieut. Goss served in the Ninth Infantry, Infantry and was later appointed Second Lieutenant in the Ninth Regular Infantry. He was retired as a First Lieutenant in December, 1880, for disability.

Charles H. Burgess, a prominent business man of Washington, died at his home in that city on Monday in the seventy-second year of his age. He was born in North River, N. Y., but had resided in Washington forty-two years. For the last thirty-seven years he had been a coal merchant.

The Rev. Dr. E. Macbrat, Episcopalian Archbishop of Rupert, Idaho, in Canada, and primate of all Canada, died last night. He was consecrated Archbishop in 1893.

John J. Muller, for thirty-three years with Edwin N. Doll, died at the German Hospital on Tuesday, aged 46.

ROBBED FATHER CURRY.

Van Driver Went Away With Some of the Priest's Belongings.

Patrick Riley, 25 years old, of 477 West Thirty-fifth street, a driver for the Schwart Van and Delivery Company of 1712 Third avenue, was arrested last night on the charge of grand larceny preferred by Father Curry of St. James's Roman Catholic Church.

Father Curry's mother died last week, leaving him a number of heirlooms which he valued highly. On Monday Father Curry had these taken from his mother's home on the upper East Side, to his own residence, in Oliver street.

The Schwartz company sent Riley for the goods. When they arrived at Father Curry's house, the priest supervised the storing of most of them. He then gave the driver a receipt for all the goods and went away.

The driver, with him the \$4 that belonged to his employers and some of Father Curry's things. That night some one returned the

HAGGERTY READY TO RESIGN.

McCARREN'S DEPUTY POLICE COMMISSIONER POWERLESS.

Didn't Even Know That the Police Were Going to Raid a Turf Bureau in the Thomas Jefferson Building Last Night of the McCarren Rally There.

That Henry F. Haggerty, the Deputy Police Commissioner for Brooklyn, has made up his mind to resign friends of both Haggerty and Senator McCarren said last night. They said that he has found his position intolerable; that while he is supposed to have charge of the police affairs of Brooklyn, he has never had a free hand; and that since the division between Mr. Murphy and Mr. McCarren he has been deputy in name only.

From a source which may be regarded as authoritative it was learned last night that a few days ago a talk between Mr. Haggerty and Commissioner McCaden over the telephone, which began on a routine conference on the question of supplies for Brooklyn developed the discussion of other matters and that finally Mr. Haggerty told Commissioner McCaden, with some violence, that he was willing to resign his job at once.

When Mr. Haggerty was made the deputy for Brooklyn at the suggestion of Senator McCarren it was thought by the Democratic leaders of that borough that Mr. Haggerty would be permitted to run the police affairs of Brooklyn without anything but formal supervision from Manhattan. From the very start any hopes in this direction were knocked on the head. Mr. McCaden controlled the police administration in Brooklyn.

Friends of McCarren have not hesitated to say that the Senator has favored the lifting of the lid a little in Brooklyn; that he deemed it unwise to continue enforcing the excise laws with severity. Commissioner McCaden, it was said with tuberculosis, the concurrence of Mr. Murphy and Mayor McClellan refused to countenance such a step.

Commissioner McCaden refused to make several transfers which were asked for by the leaders in Brooklyn, and as if to make it clear that Brooklyn, so far as its police affairs were concerned, would be governed by Mulberry street, announced that he would devote two days a week to Brooklyn. The climax came on Tuesday night when at the very time Mr. McCarren was receiving the plaudits of his friends, the raid was made on the Thomas Jefferson building. This raid was planned in Mulberry street and was timed and carried out without the knowledge of Mr. Haggerty.

The Thomas Jefferson Building is owned by the Thomas Jefferson Association, of which McCarren is a trustee. While the McCarren clans were gathering on the first floor on Tuesday night, Police Captain Harkin and four of his detectives raided the "Brooklyn Borough Sporting Bureau" and arrested six men on a charge of taking bets on horse races.

Magistrate Dooley discharged the prisoners yesterday for lack of evidence. Senator McCarren, it is understood, is willing to have Mr. Haggerty resign. With the cry he has raised that one of the great purposes of his fight with Mr. Murphy is to preserve the political independence of Brooklyn, he has been accused of being a glib and out and should his successor be a man known to be friendly to Tammany it will tend to show that Mr. Murphy is really aiming to control the Democratic situation in Brooklyn.

Mayor McClellan was asked yesterday if there was a possibility that some of Mr. McCarren's friends might be tempted to resign. The Mayor treated the suggestion as a joke.

"You know," he said, "that we Democrats who are in office are all good Democrats and it has been said of good Democrats that 'few die and none resign.'"

WILL PUSH COCKRELL'S NAME.

David R. Francis Thinks the Senator May Be Named for President.

CLEVELAND, March 9.—Ex-Gov. David R. Francis of Missouri called upon Mayor Johnson this morning. He was going from New York to St. Louis.

"I seldom talk politics," he said. "I understand that in Ohio Democratic sentiment has not crystallized in favor of any one Presidential candidate. It is quite different in Missouri. The sentiment there is all in favor of Senator Cockrell, and he will without the slightest doubt receive the vote of his own State."

"All over the country there seems to be a lack of strong sentiment in favor of Presidential candidates. There will, undoubtedly be a long fight on the floor of the convention. I believe that Missouri's candidate will have at least an equal chance with all others."

BRACKETT RENOMINATED.

The Names of Roosevelt and Odell Not Mentioned in the Convention.

SARATOGA, March 9.—The names of President Roosevelt and Gov. Odell were not mentioned in the Twenty-eighth Senate district Republican convention, which was held at Worden's Hotel this afternoon. No resolutions of commendation or endorsement were offered during the half hour that the proceedings lasted. Harmony abounded, and State Senator Edgar T. Brackett, who has served nine years service in the upper branch of the Legislature, was renominated unanimously. Senator Brackett expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred and accepted the nomination.

JUSTICE DYKMAN DEAD.

He Was on the Supreme Court Bench for Nearly Thirty Years.

WHITE PLAINS, March 9.—Former Supreme Court Justice Jackson O. Dykman, one of the best known jurists in the State and for forty years a resident of White Plains, died early this morning at his home here at the age of 78. Justice Dykman's death was due to general debility, following a long attack of bronchial pneumonia, from which he had almost recovered.

Justice Dykman was one of the most interesting lawyers in Westchester county. For twenty-eight years he presided on the Supreme Court bench and won many friends by his honest, upright and just decisions. Almost up to the day he was taken sick he was out driving daily behind one of his trotters. He was born at Patterson, Putnam county, and was the descendant of one of the earliest settlers there.

He obtained a simple country education and when he was a youth began teaching school. Through hard work and a determination to succeed, he began studying law in the office of Judge William Nelson of Peekskill. After being admitted to the bar, he practiced law at Cold Spring, and though barely 21 years old was soon elected School Commissioner and then District Attorney of Putnam county.

In 1868, after moving to White Plains, he was elected District Attorney of Westchester county, and in 1875 he was elected to the Supreme Court bench. He was supported by both the Democratic and Republican parties. In 1880 he was re-elected. He retired when he reached the age of 71.

Justice Dykman's wife died about four years ago. He is survived by two sons, Henry T. Dykman, who is a member of the Council of White Plains, and William N. Dykman, who is president of the Board of Civil Service Commissioners of New York. Justice Dykman was married, at one time, to several political clubs in Manhattan and also a member of the Episcopal Church of White Plains. Out of respect to his death, Supreme Court Justice J. Edgar Johnson court at White Plains today.

McCARREN'S FIGHT.

Doyle Belittles "The Autonomy Show"—Where Were Littleton and Coffey?

The demonstration for Senator McCarren on Tuesday night is regarded by his friends as conclusive proof that he will be able to maintain the leadership of the Kings county organization against even the combined opposition of Charles F. Murphy of Tammany and whatever elements can be arrayed against him from among the old followers of Hugh McLaughlin.

The McCarenses assert that they will have beyond the shadow of a doubt fifty-seven of the sixty-three delegates to the State convention, if indeed they do not capture the entire lot by defeating William A. Doyle in the Seventh district and James J. Kehoe in the Ninth at the primaries on March 29. On the other hand, McCarren's opponents belittled the importance of Tuesday's "autonomy show," as they call it, at the Thomas Jefferson, alleging that it was packed with sports, blacklegs and tin horn gamblers, who are sure at Mr. Murphy for keeping the lid down in spite of their efforts to have it lifted.

This is the political autonomy of the dispenser of patronage, had to say about the gathering.

The result last night settled nothing. The fight will be kept up. There are men in that executive committee who voted with McCarren but who will be with him when the proper time comes around, and efforts now will be directed toward electing a majority of the delegates to the State convention from this county. I am confident that we will win."

It is said that McCarren got a bad setback when Borough President Martin W. Littleton, the acknowledged champion of Brooklyn's political autonomy, refused his request to attend the meeting on Tuesday night and join in the Senator's glorification. The absence of several of the delegates whose aid would be of prime importance to him in his coming political battles must have also caused him much disappointment, it is said.

Mr. McCaden, who was one of these absentees, although he was within a couple of blocks of the building while the proceedings were on and in conference with Edward M. Grou for a couple of hours after they had been wound up.

Veteran political observers in Brooklyn

predict that if McCarren does not change his tactics he will find a hard job to retain his grip on the machinery of the organization when the fall primaries come around, even though he may easily control the primaries at the end of this month.

AN ODELL-LINCOLN DINNER.

Waterfront Function Postponed a Month So That the Governor Could Attend.

ALBANY, March 9.—Although he was too ill to go to Washington to see President Roosevelt last Saturday, Gov. Odell tomorrow proposes to go to Watertown to attend the Lincoln Day dinner of the Lincoln League of that city to-morrow night. It matters not that the anniversary of the birth of the emancipator occurred one month ago. Such things as that can easily be overcome. Anniversaries are to be held in charge of the primaries, refused to attend the dinner to-morrow night, they were not enrolled. Anticipating this action, the Brown Republicans had hired a hall across the street, and they adjourned there and held a primary of their own.

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